

SHB 1651 - S COMM AMD

By Committee on Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation

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1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
2 following:

3 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 79A.60
4 RCW to read as follows:

5 The boating activities account is created in the state treasury.
6 Moneys in the account may be spent only after appropriation.
7 Expenditures from the account may be used only as authorized under
8 sections 2 and 3 of this act.

9 Grants, gifts, or other financial assistance received by the
10 interagency committee for outdoor recreation from state and nonstate
11 sources for purposes of boating activities may be deposited into the
12 account.

13 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 79A.60 RCW
14 to read as follows:

15 (1) The boating activities program is created in the interagency
16 committee for outdoor recreation.

17 (2) The interagency committee for outdoor recreation shall
18 distribute moneys appropriated from the boating activities account
19 created in section 1 of this act as follows, or as otherwise
20 appropriated by the legislature, after deduction for the committee's
21 expenses in administering the boating activities grant program and for
22 related studies:

23 (a) To the commission for boater safety, boater education, boating-
24 related law enforcement activities, activities included in RCW
25 88.02.040, related administrative expenses, and boating-related
26 environmental programs, such as pumpout stations, to enhance clean
27 waters for boating;

28 (b) For grants to state agencies, counties, municipalities, port
29 districts, federal agencies, nonprofit organizations, and Indian tribes

1 to improve boating access to water and marine parks, enhance the boater
2 experience, boater safety, boater education, and boating-related law
3 enforcement activities, and to provide funds for boating-related
4 environmental programs, such as pumpout stations, to enhance clean
5 waters for boating; and

6 (c) If the amount available for distribution from the boating
7 activities account is equal to or less than two million five hundred
8 thousand dollars per fiscal year, then eighty percent of the amount
9 available must be distributed to the commission for the purposes of (a)
10 of this subsection and twenty percent for grants in (b) of this
11 subsection. Amounts available for distribution in excess of two
12 million five hundred thousand dollars per fiscal year shall be
13 distributed by the committee for purposes of (a) and (b) of this
14 subsection.

15 (3) The interagency committee for outdoor recreation shall
16 establish an application process for boating activities grants.

17 (4) Agencies receiving grants for capital purposes from the boating
18 activities account shall consider the possibility of contracting with
19 the commission, the department of natural resources, or other federal,
20 state, and local agencies to employ the youth development and
21 conservation corps or other youth crews in completing the project.

22 (5) To solicit input on the boating activities grant application
23 process, criteria for grant awards, and use of grant moneys, and to
24 determine the interests of the boating community, the interagency
25 committee for outdoor recreation shall solicit input from a boating
26 activities advisory committee. The interagency committee for outdoor
27 recreation may utilize a currently established boating issues committee
28 that has similar responsibility for input on recreational boating-
29 related funding issues. Members of the boating activities advisory
30 committee are not eligible for compensation but may be reimbursed for
31 travel expenses as provided in RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060.

32 (6) The interagency committee for outdoor recreation may adopt
33 rules to implement this section.

34 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 79A.60 RCW
35 to read as follows:

36 (1) By December 1, 2007, the interagency committee for outdoor
37 recreation shall complete an initial study of boater needs and make

1 recommendations to the appropriate committees of the legislature on the
2 initial amount of funding that should be provided to the commission for
3 boating-related law enforcement purposes under section 2(2)(a) of this
4 act.

5 (2) The interagency committee for outdoor recreation shall
6 periodically update its study of boater needs as necessary and shall
7 make recommendations to the governor and the appropriate committees of
8 the legislature concerning funding allocations to state parks and other
9 grant applicants."

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10 On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "activities;" strike the
11 remainder of the title and insert "and adding new sections to chapter
12 79A.60 RCW."

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